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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Citovsky et al.)
Serial No.: 09/435,274) Examiner: K. Davis
Filed: November 5, 1999) Art Unit: 1636
For: GENETIC ASSAY FOR PROTEIN)
NUCLEAR TRANSPORT)

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the August 13, 2001 Office Action issued by the Examiner in connection with the above identified application. A response to the Office Action was originally due November 13, 2001. A request for a three-month extension of time is being filed herewith, therefore a response is now due February 13, 2002.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Replace the paragraph on page 8, lines 12-13, with the following new paragraph (pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(iii), a marked-up copy of the amended paragraph on a separate sheet accompanies this amendment):

B1 Fig. 17 illustrates the wild type LexA-NLS (nucleic acid sequence SEQ ID NO:14; amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:15) and the modified LexA-NLS (nucleic acid sequence SEQ ID NO:16; amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:17);

After the Abstract:

Delete the previously filed SEQUENCE LISTING pages 1-6.
Add new SEQUENCE LISTING pages 1-7, enclosed herewith.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 38-78, without prejudice.